

## JUDGING QUESTIONS

### Q: What do you suggest judges purchase?

A: The Compulsory book, the Code of Points, the DVD of the showing the new routines (Levels 1-5) . Order today and it will be shipped **June 10, 2013**. Better yet, go to one of the National Compulsory Workshops and learn from the authors, all your compulsory materials are included in the Workshop fee.

### Q: When and where do judges have to re-certify for the new season 2013-2014?

A: For Levels 1-10, National Congress in Hartford, CT on Sunday, August 18, 2013, is the first time.

### 2013 Women's Judging Exam Schedule\*

- **Written Compulsory:**  
8:30-10:00a.m.
- **Written Level 9 & Practical Level 10:**  
10:00-11:30a.m.
- **Written Level 8 & 10 & Practical Level 9:**  
12:00-1:30p.m.
- **Practical Level 8:**  
2:00-3:30p.m.

\*After that date there will be many local testing options (As testing sites are available they will appear on the [Master Testing Schedule](#). In order to maintain your judging eligibility you must complete your re-certification by 12/31/2013

### Q: What if I am a National rated judge? What is the new testing procedure?

A: The explanation has been emailed to all National judges. If you did not receive contact, please email [CMaloney@usagym.org](mailto:CMaloney@usagym.org).

### Q: Do I need to take the U100: Fundamentals of Gymnastics Instruction, to judge on the floor of a sanctioned competition in August?

A: No, this is only for [coaches](#) (you have your certification to judge)

### Q: My judging certificate says I am certified until Dec 2013. Some of the new compulsory seasons begin August 1, 2013. If I am not certified in the new compulsories, will I not be assigned a meet?

A: Priority will be given to those that have successfully tested before the season begins. You have until December 2013 to complete your recertification.



## 2013-2021 Changes Junior Olympic Women's Program

### General Questions

#### Q: Why does USA Gymnastics change the routines every 8 years?

A: The process for updating the compulsory program is important in order to stay up with the ever changing sport of gymnastics. As with any sport it continues to evolve and improve.

Making changes and improvements is a long process. We begin four years before the new routines are presented, it starts with surveys, gathering input from all the coaches and judges that work with these routines and professions everyday inside the gym. It is about working on the vision, growth and future of the sport. The new routines are met with excitement and possibilities of further success in the future for the athletes, coaches, and clubs embracing the sport of gymnastics.

#### Q: Why did USA Gymnastics Women's Junior Olympic Program re structure and re number the levels?

A: We needed to bridge the gap between levels, skills, and progressions, allowing for additional ways athletes can succeed and enjoy the sport of gymnastics. Nothing is ever done without long serious thought, input, discussion, along with aligning and understanding philosophy and goals. The Junior Olympic Committee represents commitment to the safety and well-being of the athlete first and foremost.

#### Q: Where can I get the new Compulsory materials?

A: You can order online at [Sportsgraphics.biz](http://Sportsgraphics.biz). The Compulsory Materials will be shipped June 10, 2013 (note your credit card will be charged the day of purchase)

#### Q: When will the Code of Points be available?

A: You may [purchase](#) it today and it will be shipped by April 30, 2013. [Check out](#) the NEW flip-chart booklet too!

#### Q: What are the opportunities for my coaches to learn the routines?

A: [\\*National Workshops](#)  
[\\*Regional Compulsory Workshops](#)  
Review of the Routines will be:  
[\\*National Congress](#)  
[\\*Regional Congresses](#)

#### Q: What is the difference between all Regional Congresses and the Regional Compulsory Workshops?

A: The master workshops (Orlando and Reno) are the first time and quickest way to learn the routines. They will include all the master clinicians, teaching each event in detail, while the Regional Compulsory Workshops may have only a couple master clinicians teaching.

Please note both the National and Regional Workshops include: Compulsory Book, DVD and Competitive Music CD in your fees.

#### Q: What if I cannot attend any of the workshops, but want to buy the materials? Where do I go to order and when?

A: You can [order](#) today at [www.sportsgraphics.biz](http://www.sportsgraphics.biz) OR call 1.800.345.4719 and choose option 1.

#### Q: When do the new compulsories routines begin for the athletes?

A: August 1, 2013 or when your state competitive compulsory season begins

#### Q: When will the optional rules change?

